31. *Town Planning Scheme.*—The expenditure on this scheme is expected to stand at Rs 9·5 lakhs at the close of this year and for the next year a sum of Rs 3·58 lakhs has been provided for the continuance of the works included in the scheme. The formation of a Special Town Planning Committee of the Trivandrum Municipal Council for drawing up a definite programme of work to be carried out under the Town Planning Scheme is in contemplation.

32. *The Council Chamber.*—The construction of the Council Chamber is making rapid progress and it is hoped that it would be possible very shortly to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the Travancore Legislative Council. Water supply and electric fittings as also sanitary installations are proceeding side by side with the actual construction work. The expenditure on account of this work is expected to stand at Rs 1·68 lakhs at the close of the current year and for the next year the provision is Rs 1 lakh.

33. *Military Buildings.*—A regular programme of building construction is going on vigorously in the premises of the Military Head Quarters at Pangode to meet the needs of the general re-organisation of the State Forces. Buildings which were in progress last year are nearing completion and new ones also are being taken up. The total expenditure on the buildings is expected to stand at Rs 10·2 lakhs at the close of the current year and a provision of Rs 3 lakhs has been made in the next year's budget for the completion of the buildings already taken up and the construction of new ones which are found to be absolutely necessary.

34. *Railways.*—The capital charge for the Quilon-Trivandrum Railway and the Chackai-Thambanoor Extension at the close of the year ending 31st March 1937 was Bh Rs 53·63 lakhs and Rs 28·33 lakhs respectively. The budget estimate for 1114 provides for a net credit of Rs 29,600 on account of the relinquishment of lands acquired for Railway purposes at the old station at Chackai. The agreement between the Secretary of State and this Government for the working of the Chackai-Thambanoor Railway Extension is still pending, and the Extension is provisionally worked by the South Indian Railway Company as part of the Quilon-Trivandrum Section of the Travancore Railway.

The working of the Railway resulted in a loss of Bh. Rs 42,874 for the year ending 31st March 1938 representing the deficit in the interest guaranteed by the Government, the amount being worked out on yearly calculations in place of the

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